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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: ROBERT M. STEWART ET AL.

Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned

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Title: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR COAGULATING AND DRYING
LATEX

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) ON BEHALF OF CO-INVENTOR WHO
REFUSES TO SIGN DECLARATION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a), Applicant hereby requests that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office accept the accompanying U.S. patent application for filing by the remaining co-inventors, on behalf of themselves, and on behalf of a co-inventor who cannot be located, as provided in 35 U.S.C. §116. In accordance with M.P.E.P. Part 409.03(a) the remaining co-inventors have executed the declaration with respect to this application, on behalf of themselves, and on behalf of the non-signing co-inventors, as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.64.

The name and last known address of the non-signing inventors are as follows:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee set forth in \$1.17(h) to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #817LR/50045).

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §116, and 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) have been satisfied, and requests that the accompanying U.S. patent application be accepted for filing on behalf of the inventors listed in the declaration.

If there are any questions regarding this Petition or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any

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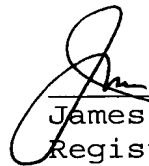
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deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit
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Respectfully submitted,

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